



The Shrimp e-Advocate

The Southern Shrimp Alliance (SSA) is a non-profit alliance of members of the U.S. shrimp industry in eight states committed to preventing the continued deterioration of America's shrimp industry and to ensuring the industry's future viability. SSA serves as the national voice for the shrimp fishermen and processors in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas.

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Dear NOAA Fisheries Constituents and Stakeholders,

NOAA Fisheries is issuing a modification to the fishery closure in the Gulf by retracting the closure boundaries in several places to reopen areas which have not been impacted by oil. The most significant of these adjustments will reopen the area along the southern boundary which we closed Monday, June 21. The new closure map is attached and posted online along with other supportive material at <http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov>. The new closure becomes effective at 6 PM Eastern time tonight.

The new closure measures 78,597 sq mi (203, 564 sq km) and covers about 33% of the GOM EEZ.

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